



Update on DLA-GSA Alignment of Federal Supply Classes

As part of longstanding collaboration on supply support, DLA and GSA manage distinct Federal Supply Classes (FSC). Beginning in FY 2019, DLA is sunsetting, on a rolling basis, contracts it had with vendors for items in Class II FSCs (list below) managed by GSA. As those contracts come up for renewal, they will either expire or the listed FSCs will be removed. There is no abrupt disruption, but instead a gradual transition so that GSA has sole management responsibility for these Class II FSCs.

GSA provides multiple mechanisms for DOD and other customers to find and buy items in its FSCs. Those include:

GSA Global Supply (GGS)

GGS provides easy access to thousands of National Stock Numbers (NSN) and hundreds of thousands of part numbered items, all on a requisition basis. Since purchases are between federal agencies, there is no requirement to comparison shop or document three potential sources. Users convey orders via FedMall (NSNs only), MILSTRIP platforms, via phone at (800) 488-3111 or online at www.GSAGlobalsupply.gsa.gov. Customers can use a purchase card (online or via phone) or authorized DoDAAC on all ordering platforms. Shipping is available worldwide.

For NSNs and part numbers not under contract in its FSCs, GGS offers “Special Order” purchasing on a fee-for-service basis. To start, customers can order via MILSTRIP or send email to: specialorderprogram@gsa.gov.

4PL/Retail Operations (RO)

GSA supports 35 retail stores and issues points, primarily on military bases worldwide. These 4PL locations often display a few thousand commonly used items, often tools, industrial supplies, and office products from FSCs 51 and 75. They also provide “referral” access to tens or hundreds of thousands of similar items offered by vendor partners (e.g. Office Depot, MSC or Grainger). These items can be shipped, as needed, to the closest store. All transactions are requisitions, so customers can use their DoDAAC or purchase card at checkout.

Multiple Award Schedules (MAS)

GSA has thousands of MAS contracts in place with commercial partners offering discounts to federal buyers on a broad array of products and services. All MAS vendors are visible online at www.gsaadvantage.gov and customers can use a purchase card to order. Customers may also use a vendor’s website (or call) to place an order. Since these transactions are “acquisitions” and not requisitions, transactions that exceed the micro-purchase threshold are governed by FAR 8.4 (i.e. comparison shopping is required).

More Information or Customer Service

GSA’s National Customer Service Center (NCSC) supports all of these programs. NCSC can answer general questions, assist with online orders, provide referrals to subject matter experts or help to resolve any discrepancies which may arise. It operates 24/5 (Sunday 9:00 pm - Friday 9:30 pm ET) at (800) 488-3111 or NCSCcustomer.service@gsa.gov. Note that self-service order status on GSA Global Supply purchases is also available anytime at ask.gsa.gov.

Affected Federal Supply Classes:

5110	Hand tools, edged, nonpowered
5120	Hand tools, nonedged, nonpowered
5130	Hand tools, power driven
5133	Drill bits, counterbores, and countersinks: hand and machine
5136	Taps, dies, and collets; hand and machine
5140	Tools and hardware boxes
5180	Sets, kits, and outfits of hand tools
5210	Measuring tools, craftsmen's
5345	Disks and stones, abrasives
5350	Abrasive materials
5630	Pipe and conduit, nonmetallic
5640	Wallboard, building paper, and thermal insulation materials
5650	Roofing and siding materials
5670	Building components, prefabricated
5680	miscellaneous construction materials
7110	office furniture
7125	Cabinets, lockers, bins and shelving
7195	Miscellaneous furniture and fixtures
7330	Kitchen hand tools and utensils
7340	Cutlery and flatware
7350	Tableware
7490	Miscellaneous office machines
7510	Office supplies
7520	Office devices and accessories
7530	Stationary and record forms
7910	Floor polishers and vacuum cleaning equipment
7920	Brooms, brushes, mops, and sponges
7930	Cleaning and polishing compounds and preparations
8105	Bags and sacks
8115	Boxes, cartons, and crates
8135	Packaging and packing bulk materials
8540	Toiletry paper products
9310	paper and paperboard
9905	Signs, advertising displays, and identification plates